

Size and Capacity Limitations for Niches and Urns

Niche Size Limitations: Each niche is 12" wide x 12" deep x 12" high.
But: The niche entrance has a 1/2" flange on each of its four sides.
That creates an 11" x 11" niche entrance.

Urn Size Limitations: To fit an urn into a niche, no Length, Width, or Height measurement can be more than 11."

Niche Capacity Requirements: If 2 urns are to be placed in 1 niche, the combined size of each urn's smallest side cannot exceed 11."

- Example:
- 1 urn is 5.5" x 8.5" x 10.5 high."
 - A second urn is 5.0" x 8.0" x 9.0 high."
 - The smallest sizes are 5.5" and 5.0."
 - The sum of these small sides is 10.5."
 - So, these 2 urns can fit into 1 niche.

To find out the Length, Width, and Height of an urn:

- Search the internet for "urns." You'll find many companies offering a wide variety of urns. Length, Width, and Height will be listed for each urn.

Urn Capacity Requirements: An urn's internal storage space must have a large enough capacity to accommodate the cremated ashes of the deceased.

The "rule of thumb" for determining the required capacity for an urn:

- One pound of a human body will become one ounce of cremated ashes.
- That means: Urn capacity (ounces) must be equal to, or greater than, body weight (pounds):

How can you be sure a specific urn has the necessary capacity?

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